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SUBJ: JUNTA PRESS SECRETARY COMMENTS ON U.S. CONGRESSMEN
CONSERVATIVE "EL MERCURIO" (SAT. MARCH 2) CARRIES PIECE QUOTING
JUNTA PRESS SECRETARY FEDERICO WILLOUGHBY UNDER HEADLINE
"LAMENTABLE NAIVETE OF CERTAIN U.S. POLITICAL SECTORS" IN
REFERENCE TO APPEARANCE OF ALLENDE'S WIDOW AND FORMER SWEDISH
AMBASSADOR HARALD EDELSTAM IN U.N. AND WASHINGTON RESPECTIVELY.
STORY QUOTES WILLOUGHBY AS SAYING "IT SEEMS LAMENTABLE TO ME THAT
CERTAIN U.S. POLITICAL SECTORS THROUGH NAIVETE LET THEMSELVES BE
INFLUENCED BY FALSE INFORMATION OR APPARENTLY ACT OUT OF
NECESSITY FOR THEIR POLITICAL CAREERS... MRS. HORTENSIA BUSSI AND
THE DIPLOMAT EDELSTAM HAVE PARTICIPATED IN DEMONSTRATIONS DIRECTED
AGAINST THE GOVERNMENT JUNTA IN WHICH POLITICAL REPRESENTATIVES
OF THIS COUNTRY (U.S.) HAVE TAKEN PART... WE CANNOT FORGET THAT
THIS NAIVETE HAS BEEN USED BY MARXISM TO INFILTRATE IRREPARABLE
DAMAGE TO THE PEOPLE AND PRESTIGE OF THE UNITED STATES, AS IN THE
CASES OF CUBA, VIETNAM AND OTHERS."

FYI: SUNDAY "EL MERCURIO" ALSO CARRIES NOTE STATING THAT WILLOUGHBY
CARRYING MESSAGE FROM GENERAL PINOCHET TO THE PRESIDENT OF I.D.B.
IN WASHINGTON OFFERING COOPERATION OF JUNTA FOR XV ASSEMBLY OF I.D.B.
GOVERNORS' MEETING TO BE HELD SANTIAGO APRIL 1-4. WILLOUGHBY
ACCOMPANYING DELEGATION OF MEDIA REPRESENTATIVES WHICH DEPARTED
SATURDAY, MARCH 2, FOR ONE WEEK I.D.B. SEMINAR.
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